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Reference: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request **EPA-HQ-2019-007414**

Dear Mr. Evers,

This letter is in response to your FOIA request submitted on July 17, 2019. In your request, you asked for a copy of records sufficient to identify any and all contracts between a list of agencies identified in your request and (a) the below-listed individuals who were nominated but not confirmed to serve in the listed agencies or (b) any legal entities operated by or on behalf of the listed individuals. However, I am only responding to the portion for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). For our agency, the individual listed is "Michael Dourson." You wanted all responsive records reflecting contracts entered into from January 20, 2017, through the date of the search. A search of procurement records by the Office of Acquisition Solutions (OAS) IT technician on August 2, 2019, found that there were no procurements awarded to Michael Dourson for the specified time period.

You also wanted a copy of procurement records awarded to any legal entities operated by or on behalf of Michael Dourson. In this case, the entity would be the Toxicology Excellence for Risk Assessment. It is a non-profit organization where Mr. Dourson is the Director of Science. A search of procurement records by the OAS IT technician on August 5, 2019, found that there were no procurements awarded to Toxicology Excellence for Risk Assessment for the specified time period.

This letter concludes our response to your request. You may appeal this response by email at [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov) or by mail to the National Freedom of Information Office, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2822T), Washington, D.C. 20460. If you are submitting your appeal via hand delivery, courier service or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 6416J, Washington, D.C. 20001. Your appeal must be made in writing, and it must be submitted no later than 90 calendar days

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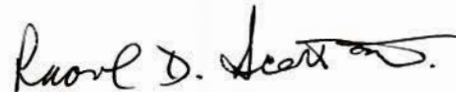
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You are not being billed for any processing charges because your fee category is "Other." The invoice dollar amount is not high enough to become billable.

Please reference for identification purposes **EPA-HQ-2019-007414** in any communication. Should there be any questions regarding this notice, please do not hesitate to contact Kirk Marusak of my staff at (202) 564-4493 or via e-mail at [marusak.kirk@epa.gov](mailto:marusak.kirk@epa.gov). Thank you for your interest in the EPA.

Sincerely,



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